

1 AN ACT concerning education.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 5. The School Code is amended by adding Section
5 2-3.142 as follows:

6 (105 ILCS 5/2-3.142 new)

7 Sec. 2-3.142. Task Force on Virtual Education. There is
8 created the Task Force on Virtual Education to consider and
9 recommend best practices in virtual education. The Task Force
10 shall consist of the following members:

11 (1) Two members of the higher education community, one
12 appointed by the Speaker of the House and one appointed by
13 the Minority Leader of the Senate.

14 (2) Two members of professional teachers' unions, one
15 appointed by the President of the Senate and one appointed
16 by the Minority Leader of the House.

17 (3) Two representatives of the State Board of
18 Education, appointed by the State Superintendent of
19 Education.

20 (4) One member appointed by the Illinois Association of
21 School Administrators.

22 (5) One member appointed by the Illinois Association of
23 School Boards.

1 (6) One representative of the business community
2 appointed by a statewide organization representing
3 businesses.

4 (7) One member of the Chicago Board of Education (or
5 his or her designee) appointed by the President of the
6 Chicago Board of Education.

7 (8) One representative of a statewide virtual school
8 appointed by the State Superintendent of Education.

9 (9) The following members to be appointed by the
10 Governor:

11 (A) One member with training or expertise in
12 information and communications technologies.

13 (B) One member who is a current teacher or
14 administrator employed by a virtual school in a city
15 having a population exceeding 500,000.

16 (C) One member with training or expertise in early
17 childhood development.

18 (D) One member who is a parent of a child currently
19 enrolled in a virtual school in a city having a
20 population exceeding 500,000.

21 (E) One member who is a teacher or a parent of a
22 child currently enrolled in a statewide virtual school
23 program.

24 The Task Force shall be facilitated by the State Board of
25 Education.

26 The Task Force shall report its findings and

1 recommendations to the General Assembly, the Governor, and the
2 State Board of Education on or before 2 years after the
3 effective date of this amendatory Act of the 95th General
4 Assembly. Upon filing its report, the Task Force is dissolved.